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SUBJ: SEIZURE OF FRG FISTNG VESSEL

1. ON MAY 23, AN OFFICIAL OF THE FRG EMBASSY IN WARSAW TOLD US OF THE SEIZURE IN APRIL OF A WEST GERMAN FISHING VESSEL IN POLAND'S TERRITORIAL WATERS. THE SHIP, A THREE-MAN, HAND-MADE FISHING BOAT, WAS APPREHENDED BY POLISH AUTHORITIES ABOUT TWO KILOMETERS WITHIN THE POLISH ZONE OF THE BALTIC.
2. THE POLISH COURT FINED THE CAPTAIN/OWNER OF THE SHIP 1,110,000 ZLOTYS, CONFISCATED THE CATCH AND FISHING GEAR, AND SENTENCED THE CAPTAIN TO ONE YEAR IN JAIL AND TWO YEARS PROBATION. THE FRG EMBASSY HAS PROTESTED THE HARSHNESS OF THIS ACTION BUT THE POLES HAVE AGREED ONLY TO CONSIDER SUSPENDING THE SENTENCE OF THE CAPTAIN.
3. THE FINE MUST BE PAID IN HARD CURRENCY AT THE

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OFFICIAL RATE OF 33 ZLOTYS PER DOLLAR OR 33,600 DOLLARS. THE FINE WAS ORIGINALLY ASSESSED IN APRIL WHEN THE EXCHANGE RATE WAS 19.92 ZLOTYS PER DOLLAR. WHEN THE RATE CHANGED TO 33, THE POLES CHANGED THE FINE ACCORDINGLY SO THE HARD CURRENCY EQUIVALENT IS THE SAME. THE FRG GOVERNMENT IS PAYING THE FINE BECUASE THE CAPTAIN/OWNER OF THE SHIP DOES NOT HAVE ENOUGH FUNDS.

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